

**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**  
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**MAY 28 – SATURDAY**

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

*Vigil Readings:* Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23;  
Lk 24:46-53

4:00 PM – Fr. Jim (English) – Clifford Wolf

6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

**MAY 29 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24:46-53

9:00 AM- Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Pat (English) – Maxine Oberjohann

12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

**MAY 30 – MONDAY (Memorial Day)**

Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

9:00 AM – Fr. Pat (English) – Intention of  
Parishioners

**MAY 31 – TUESDAY (Feast of the Visitation)**

Zeph 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

**JUNE 1 – WEDNESDAY**

Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

7:30 AM –Fr. Rudy (English) – Living and deceased  
Members of the St. Mary's Ladies Society

**JUNE 2 – THURSDAY**

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish)

**JUNE 3 - FRIDAY**

Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

7:30 AM – Fr. Jim (English) – Joan Fahey

**JUNE 4 – SATURDAY**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

*Vigil Reads:* Gn 11:1-9; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

4:00 PM – Fr. Pat (English) – Jerry Thomas

6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy (Spanish) – Jack Burke

**JUNE 5 – PENTECOST (Feast of St. Boniface)**

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

9:00 AM- Fr. Jim (Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Jim (English) – Living and deceased  
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12:30 PM – Fr. Jim (Spanish)

**Ministry Schedule: June 4-5**

**Lectors:**

4:00 PM – S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – R. Schinaman

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

4:00 PM – B. Burns/T. LeSaint/D. Weiss/Volunteer

11:00 AM – J. Chesher/K. Gillespie

**Servers:**

4:00 PM - B. Browning/D. Weiss

11:00 AM - A. Browning

**FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION**

Sunday offering Goal to-date: \$400,000

Offerings received to-date: \$391,286

Amount needed to catch up: \$8,714

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. *Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.* To take advantage of this convenience, please call 541-1563.

**4 GRAND CLUB**

Congratulations to. Cathy Farley, Darlene Benson, and Donna St Clair. They are the winners of the Week 39 drawing and each won \$25.

## Happy Birthday

**CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Cathy Farley (30), Zach Nintrup (30), Caitlin Strotman (31), Sandy Meyers (02), Josefina Danner (02), Linda Grause (03), Pamela Shooner (03), Mary Ann Reinert (04), Jamie Davis (04), Bonifacio Dominguez (05).

**FR. JIM'S RETIREMENT:** Just a reminder to mark your calendars for Sunday, June 12, when we will honor Fr. Jim for his many years of service to the Church as he retires from active service. Both St. Boniface and St. Leo will come together here at St. Boniface for the 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by an open house of finger foods and snacks. There will be no 12:30 Mass on that day. Anyone wishing to help with food or desserts is asked to call the Parish Office, 513-541-1563.

**FR. JIM'S DESK: Please remember** that next week is the great Feast of Pentecost. Our parishes speak different languages, and we celebrate a diversity of gifts, and we have our unity in the one God. This Feast could easily be our parish Feast Day as it could easily be the patronal feast for the universal church throughout the world.

Isn't the Spirit so evident in the unity that is among the diversity of people, gifts, and languages that we are so blessed to share? Our diversity is more a blessing than it is a barrier to us being Church together. This, too, is due to the presence of the Spirit who is always by our side to show us the way, to teach us how to love God and one another, to help us love others as God loves us and to accept, tolerate, forgive, bear with, console and heal one another in the name of the Lord. This defines our unity in the midst of all of our diversity. We especially give thanks to God for the unity we know in receiving and in doing the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

But as much as we are blessed and as much as we have grown and are growing in the love of God and the life of the Spirit, we must stay hungry for the ways of God and dependent on the Holy Spirit always for further growth. We must be aware of the barriers that still exist that can separate us or get in the way of the call to unity that God wants for us. Not being able to speak a common language well for all of us leads to

normal and natural misunderstandings and hurt feelings and trusting each other, when it looks like and feels like it is time to stand ground and fight, or appreciating other ways of doing things or that there is more than one right way or that any one culture is not the only way or always the best way, continue to challenge our patience, compassion and perseverance with one another. We must always lean on the Spirit for these challenges. The Spirit is the only one who can help us and who will give us attitudinal adjustments when needed. Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Fill the hearts of your faithful. Enkindle in us your fire. Recreate with us and renew the face of the earth.

**Today is the Feast of the Ascension.** Years ago, now, the Bishops of the United States gave permission to move this Feast from Thursday to the Sunday before Pentecost. It takes the place of the Seventh Sunday of Easter. The Readings and Prayers used for this weekend are from the Mass for the Feast of the Ascension. Where the Lord has gone, we hope to follow. With the grace and virtues of the Holy Spirit, may we all live now for then.

**BEACONS OF LIGHT:** Continuing on with the planning process, today we will focus on **Phase 3: Culture**, and look at the six principles of Beacons of Light relating to Culture:

*Eucharist:* Celebrate the liturgical culture of each parish and begin establishing a Family liturgical culture.

*Church:* Form Family culture by reverencing the history and heritage of each parish while establishing a renewed faith community.

*Leadership:* Leaders evaluate and align ministries and practices with the Family vision.

*Stewardship:* Focus on welcoming, hospitality, and parishioner engagement.

*Evangelization:* The Evangelization Team participates in missionary discipleship formation to assist in future planning.

*Love in Action:* Define campus locations for ministries – both individual ministries and combined ministries – and celebrate the diverse backgrounds of all parishioners.

**VOCATION VIEW:** If we love, we know the presence of God. Take time to be aware of God's loving presence. Be open to the Holy Spirit. (John 14:23-29)